
M I N U T E S

Parowan Valley

Distribution System Meeting

February 21, 1996

Parowan, Utah

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Sam Halterman at 4:00 P.M.

The minutes of the 1995 Water Users meeting were read with one change to be made. The maintenance charge for the state owned computer would be \$10 per year rather than \$10 per month as noted in the minutes. A motion by Lloyd Limb, a second by Robin Bradshaw and a unanimous vote followed approving the minutes as read and amended.

A motion was made by Hal Mitchell to approve the 1995 financial report as presented by Lee Sim of the Division of Water Rights. Lloyd Limb seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The 1995 Water Commissioners Report was presented by Commissioner Dennis A Lowder. A motion by Lloyd Limb to accept the report was seconded by Robin Bradshaw. A unanimous vote was recorded.

The 1996 budget was discussed. The budget and assessment was set at the same amount as the 1995 budget and assessment figures on a motion by Glen Halterman, a second by Alan Adams and a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Lowder announced that he is resigning after serving twenty years as Water Commissioner for the Parowan Valley System. A motion to delay appointing a new Commissioner was presented by Hal Mitchell and seconded by Glen Halterman. The motion carried unanimously.

The committee now serving was approved to continue in their respective positions on a motion by Alan Adams. Lloyd Limb seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Sam Halterman
Mark Halterman
Reed Orton
Hal Mitchell
Albin Judd

Chairman
Secretary
Committee Member
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A motion was made by Trina Gray to give authority to the committee to approve and recommend to the Division of Water Rights their nominee for Water Commissioner. Albin Judd seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed.

Discussion: Mr. Sim reviewed once again the study that is ongoing in the Milford area. Two alternatives have been presented to the water users and they are presently deciding which method to use in regard to measurement of water used or acreage irrigated. If water meters are to be used the Division of Water Rights would control the purchase and maintenance of the meters through the Water Commissioner at the expense of the water users. If the irrigated acreage is limited to decreed water right, aerial photo's would be used as the monitor. The Water Commissioner would also be involved in insuring this method is adhered to by the water users. It was further indicated that the method of using the power meter factor was very unreliable.

Discussion of underground water rights not presently in use ensued. Questions as to what constitutes non-use were reviewed. Unless the area is being adjudicated by the Division of Water Rights, non-use claims have to be filed by a water user. Also discussed the problems involved with water rights being transferred into heavy pump zones.

The issue of winter water rights came before the group. Chairman Halterman indicated that an attorney had been hired by the water users and was ready to proceed to make proper filings with the State. A motion by Mrs Gray to move ahead on this issue and expedite the matter as soon as possible was presented. Hal Mitchell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

Those in attendance:

Kurt Vest
Kerry Carpenter
Gertrudy Adkins
John Larsen
Lee Sim
Sam Halterman
Dennis Lowder
LaVae Smith
ElRoy Stucki
Lloyd Limb
Dennis Stowell
Robin Bradshaw
David Bradshaw
Scott Holyoak
Leon Robinson
Jeffrey Wood
Harold S. Mitchell
Donna Mitchell
John Sturdevant
Glen Halterman
Trina Gray
Albin Judd
Alan Adams
Carlos Robinson
Mark Robinson

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